



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
United States Patent and Trademark Office
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/662,004	09/14/2000	Kazuchiro Itonaga	0819-418	9057
22204	7590	06/15/2004	EXAMINER	
NIXON PEABODY, LLP 401 9TH STREET, NW SUITE 900 WASHINGTON, DC 20004-2128			BREWSTER, WILLIAM M	
		ART UNIT		PAPER NUMBER
				2823

DATE MAILED: 06/15/2004

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Response to Rule 312 Communication	Applicant No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/662,004	ITONAGA ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	William M. Brewster	2823	

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

1. The amendment filed on 03 June 2004 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) entered.
- b) entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

- d) disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) entered in part. See explanation below.